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For: OLEFIN POLYMERIZATION CATALYST AND PROCESS FOR

PRODUCING OLEFIN POLYMER WITH THE CATALYST

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
(SUBMISSION AFTER FILING OF AN APPLICATION
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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, applicant(s) hereby submit(s) an Information Disclosure Statement for consideration by the Examiner.

#### I. LIST OF PATENTS, PUBLICATIONS OR OTHER INFORMATION

The patents, publications, or other information submitted for consideration by the Office are listed on the PTO-1449(s), attached hereto.

#### II. COPIES (check at least one box)

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  This application was filed before June 30, 2003.

  Accordingly, submitted herewith is a legible copy of (i) each U.S. and foreign patent; (ii) each publication or that portion which caused it to be listed; and (iii) all other information or that portion which caused it to be listed.
- b. This application was filed on or after June 30, 2003. Accordingly, copies of cited U.S. patents and patent application publications therefore are not included. Copies of foreign patent documents and non-patent literature are included.

c. Some or all of the documents listed on the PTO-1449 are not enclosed because they were cited in the International Search Report and copies should already be in the PTO file. If copies are needed, please contact the undersigned.

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The patents, publications, or other information listed on the attached PTO 1449 are in the English language and therefore, do not require a statement of relevancy.

#### b. DOCUMENTS NOT IN THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE

A concise explanation of the relevance of all patents, publications, or other information listed that is not in the English language is as follows:

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attached English 10-182679 Α see the abstract; English attached JΡ 2000-302810 Α see the abstract; English 2000-86677 the attached JΡ Α see abstract; attached English 11-100394 the JΡ Α see abstract; attached English JΡ 11-181016 Α see the abstract; attached English 11-199593 Α see the abstract; English 10-324710 Α the attached see abstract; attached English 11-80231 Α see the JΡ abstract; attached English JΡ 10-298216 Α see the abstract; English JΡ 10-324709 the attached Α see abstract; English 62-275106 Α \_ see the attached abstract; JP 8-34811 A - see the attached English abstract; JP 10-7713 A - see the attached English abstract; 8-245715 Α the attached English JΡ see abstract; English attached JP 6-340711 Α see the abstract; attached English 11-292911 Α the JΡ see abstract; English 2001-192405 Α see the attached abstract; attached English 2002-53611 Α the see abstract;

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#### C. MENGLISH LANGUAGE SEARCH REPORT

An English language version of the search report or action that indicates the degree of relevance found by the foreign office is attached, thereby satisfying the requirement for a concise explanation. See MPEP 609(III)(A)(3).

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